

REMARKS

Claim 8 is pending and has been amended. Claims 2, 6 and 7 have been cancelled without prejudice. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Claims 2, 6 and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over U.S. Patent 5,086,385 (Launey et al.). Cancellation of those claims renders the rejection moot.

Claim 8 was indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all intervening claims. As shown above, claim 8 has been so amended. As such, it is believed clearly in condition for allowance.

This Amendment After Final Action is believed clearly to place this application in condition for allowance and its entry is therefore believed proper under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. Should the Examiner believe that issues remain outstanding, he is respectfully requested to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney in an effort to resolve such issues and advance the case to issue.

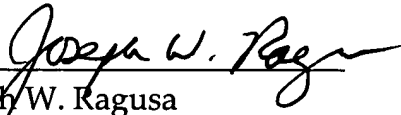
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In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is
in condition for allowance.

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